

In a society where we allow one person or group of people to wield a disproportionate voice we subject ourselves to the possibility of that group becoming a dictatorship or MONOPOLY which as we are aware is bad for a free market economy, such as the oil companies of late 19th century or the phone company of the early 1980's.

Sinclair Broadcasting's decision to force their stations to air an anti-Kerry documentary days before the election is a clear example of the dangers of media consolidation.

Since Sinclair uses the public airwaves free of charge, and is obligated by law to serve the public interest I feel that it is obliged to show an equal and opposite point of view such as Fahrenheit 911. They MUST give it equal weight in terms of broadcast time and pre-broadcast publicity.

Sinclair's actions show why we need to strengthen media ownership rules, not weaken them. They show why the license renewal process needs to involve more than a returned postcard. Thank you.